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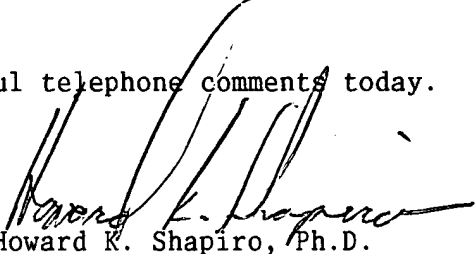
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Dear Ms. Kratz:

This letter is responsive to your Office letter postmarked 12 April 1998, in which you and Ms. Jennifer Bahr declined the above cited petition and requested further information and explanation on my part. At present, I would like to request a one month extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136(a). Payment of \$55.00 as check number 4998 is enclosed herein.


Also, enclosed herein is a filing of my Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity Status (37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b)) - Independent Inventor.

My thanks for your helpful telephone comments today.


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